

Webinar on National Policy for Vector Control

A Webinar was organised by CSIR-NEERI on “National Policy for Vector Control” on 15th January, 2021 at 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm. Inauguration of webinar was done by Dr. A Ramesh Kumar, Senior Scientist, SHWMD, CSIR-NEERI, Nagpur. Followed by Dr. Jitendra Sharma, Associate Programme Management Officer at UN Environment Programme spoke about capacity building for vector control programme and how UNEP is working in area of chemical management and other aspects. Dr. Kalpana Baruah, Additional Director, NVBDCP, Government of India was the expert speaker for the webinar and she explained about the National Policy for Vector Control where she highlighted issues like climatic and anthropogenic conditions which are changing the bionomic and behaviour of vectors for several vector borne diseases e.g., Dengue, Malaria, Kala azar etc. She pointed out importance of entomological surveillance to plan the vector control measures. Talking about the vector as problem she also focused on different vector control management strategies and use of larvicides and adulticides. She also focused on several mechanical, chemical and biological based control strategies and what can be done to reduce vectors at institutional level. Dr. Baruah also emphasised on selection criteria for vector control measures, newer vector control tools and entomological zones.

Total 339 people from Central/State vector control officials, Entomologists, Academic and research institutes registered and 121 participants attended the webinar. Dr. L. J. Kanhekar proposed vote of thanks. Participants are awarded with certificate of participation.

The screenshot shows a Zoom meeting interface for a webinar titled "National Policy for Vector Control". The meeting time is 42:38. The interface includes a grid of video thumbnails for participants, a list of participants on the right, and a toolbar at the bottom. The participants list includes:

- Waiting in lobby (1): Amar Nath Pandey
- In this meeting (66): NEERI A RameshKumar (Organizer), ALOK KUMAR PATI, Amit Katewa (Guest), Anns Tom (Guest), ANWAR ALI AKTAR, bhawna dubey state consul..., Bhuvanewari Balasubrama...

The video thumbnails show several participants, including Dr. Kalpana Baruah (Guest), Jitendra K Sharma, Dr. Vidhya PT, Consultant Entomology (Guest), Laxman Kanhekar, himmat Singh (Guest), dr rsshama, VANSHIKA SINGH (Guest), and KULDEEP SINGH (Guest). The bottom toolbar shows various application icons and system tray information, including the date 15-01-2021 and time 15:33.